

## MAZEL MRS. MARY E. LEASE

She Visited the Town Where  
Woman Rules, and  
Saw It All.

MAYOR'S TREAT, PINK SODA  
She Watched a Council Meeting  
and Heard \$15 Appropriated for  
Opening a New Street.

GLAD TO GET BACK TO NEW YORK

Much Impressed by Lincoln's Vastness  
and the Limitless Opportunities  
for Growing Up with  
the Town.

Slas D. Drake, Mayor of Lincoln, N. J., where the women rule, is a prophet. He prophesied Lincoln's existence and Lincoln is there. He prophesied that a number of notable women would meet Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lease upon her arrival there yesterday afternoon. And though the number was limited—limited to one, Miss Emma Egel, Councilwoman of Lincoln, a number really did meet her. When she and her son, Charles H. Lease, stepped off the train to the track with equal dignity, the Mayor and Miss Egel escorted her to the Town Hall, for she was their guest and had come out to see the greatness of Lincoln.

"Mrs. Lease, pray be elected," said Mayor Drake with a cordial smile and a voice laden with municipal hospitality. "This is Lincoln."

A sweep of his hand, taking in all the windows, indicated Lincoln.

"As Mayor of Lincoln and on behalf of the town, I bid you welcome!" continued the Mayor, his official voice overflowing with emotion. "You took me kind of sudden-like, I hope, but I did not know it would be to-day until it was too late to notify the good women of Plainfield to come here and meet you."

Mrs. Lease, seated on a kitchen chair in the Town Hall, Mayor's office, council chamber, real estate bureau and Sunday school, assured him that no apology was necessary.

Mayor Drake unfolded a pale blue paper and said:

"As Mayor of Lincoln and on behalf of the town, I bid you welcome!"

Lincoln's mushroom growth, its high ins for women's advancement, its streets, its sewers, Mayor Drake's share in all these and the subjects which were to be discussed at the Common Council meeting later in the afternoon, were spread out before Mrs. Lease in terms which made the sunset blush for shame of its glow, and sink behind the watching hills.

When Mayor Drake sat down Mrs. Lease arose and bowed.

"Honorable Mayor and Ladies of the Council," she said, inclining towards Miss Egel and her associates, "Miss Mattie Moore, who had arrived in the meantime, 'To say that I am astonished, but poorly equipped my feelings, I am sure, to the same wonderful progressiveness here as in the West by this Drake avenue, a boulevard, a soda water stand and its 'castles in Spain' is too big a place to view from its custard colored 'Town Hall' with its striped cream and trimmings. So Mrs. Lease was taken on a tour of inspection to a factory near the railroad track, whence she looked over Lincoln and admired the breadth of its acres."

Four o'clock found Mrs. Lease, Lincoln's latest guest, once more seated in the kitchen chair of State.

"Two minutes more before I shall call the meeting to order!" said the Mayor.

"The meeting is called to order!"

Ten plain citizens and citizenesses, some from Round Brook, Lincoln, the Mayor and two Councilwomen, Miss Egel and Miss Mattie Moore, made the meeting.

Mrs. Olivia Haarer, the third Councilwoman, sent a note of regrets that she could not be present, on account of her sick baby.

"I move that we suspend the reading of the last meeting's minutes, because we haven't much time, and there's a gentleman here who wants to catch the 4:30 train," said the Mayor.

"The movement has been made and seconded," piped Miss Egel, president of the council. "Is there any other business?"

There was no discussion, so is was passed. Miss Egel was the presiding officer, but Mayor Drake did the presiding for her.

His Honor told of a road to be opened. It should really be opened, he said, and moved that the sum of \$15 be appropriated for the purpose.

Somebody wanted to know where the road was.

"There it is," exclaimed the Mayor, jumping upon a Sunday school bench and pointing to some spot on Lincoln's ground plans. The ten plain citizens and citizenesses nodded understandingly.

"The electric light company wants to put twenty lights on the boulevard!" said the clerk.

"The water company will lay its pipes to-morrow."

"We are going to organize a fire department on Saturday night," rattled the Mayor, "to buy a thousand feet of hose, and when you all come here again we shall have something to show you—streets and sidewalks as good as New York's!" Then with an impressiveness that was truly touching, he added, by way of summing up, "We have given the outside world evidence of what we do. There is much business to be done, but I move to adjourn."

The movement is made and seconded. All in favor say 'Aye,' came Miss Egel's refrain. All said 'Aye.'

Mayor Drake escorted Mrs. Lease and the two Councilwomen to the soda water stand next door, over which there may be a hotel some day. The landlady knocked some small labelers bottles with above-it-top-pink against the counter, and poured out pink soda water for the women.

"What you want, Mrs. Lease, is to settle in Lincoln," said Mayor Drake at the station. "Now, I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll let you have a house from it. There in that clump of trees, Lincoln villa. You can have it for \$25 a month. It has twelve rooms and water in it."

"If you can't think of it over," she replied, overwhelmed at his offer; "I can't decide now."

"Now is the time—never delay. What do you want? Do you want me to give you a house? Well, you might be of help to me," he added, but the train did not let him tell how.

"Do come again. The honor of your visit is all on our side," said Miss Morse.

"You have a national reputation, Mrs. Lease, but I'll have as great a one as you soon enjoy," shouted Mayor Drake, as Mrs. Lease disappeared in the car.

"I love New York; I am always glad to get back to it," exclaimed Mrs. Lease when she reached the city.

There was paths in her voice.

TO HONOR THE MEN OF '98.

Great Irish Convention to Be Held in Philadelphia on December 12.

The Irish heroes of 1798 will be remembered as becomes their fame, and four hundred Irish societies in this country will participate, respectively of previous dissections. An appeal has been sent to the four hundred societies and to every organized body of Irishmen, requesting each to send one delegate to a convention to be held December 12 in the Industrial Art Building, in Philadelphia.

At this convention a programme will be participated out, officers and executive committee elected, the time of holding the demonstration agreed upon, and such other business transacted as may be deemed necessary for the success of the demonstration.



Mrs. Lease's Warm Welcome at Lincoln, N. J.

## ONE LOOPHOLE FOR FRITZ MEYER.

Was the Slayer of Policeman  
Smith Warned Not  
to Speak?

A NICE POINT RAISED.

His Lawyer Claims That He Was  
Not Advised of His  
Legal Rights.

The fate of Fritz Meyer, the slayer of brave Policeman Fred Smith, depends very much on the legality of his own admissions as to the crime. For two hours yesterday his counsel, former Assistant District-Attorney Stephen J. O'Hare, argued that inasmuch as these were made under duress and fear, they could not be used against him on his trial. If these admissions are not allowed in evidence there is a chance of Meyer cheating the electric chair.

The jury which will pass upon the evidence against Meyer was secured yesterday, and the taking of evidence begun.

Justice Fursman, before whom Meyer will be tried, hastened the work of selecting the jury by complaining to the counsel that too much time was being wasted.

Assistant District-Attorney Philip Carpenter opened the case for the prosecution. Mr. Carpenter briefly described the robbery of the Church of the Holy Redeemer, in East Third street, by Meyer, and the subsequent killing of Policeman Smith while he was searching for the burglar.

The first witness called was Anthony Scimit, an architect, who testified to the jury a plan giving a detail of the interior of the church and the school room in which Meyer shot Smith. Emil Reischung, an electrician, testified to the fact that the burglar alarms in the church and leading to the rectory door were in good working order at the time of the murder.

Policeman William Conklin, who accompanied Smith into the church to search for the burglar, also told how he and Smith, accompanied by Brother William, of the church, and Otto Dengler, searched the church after the burglar alarm rang on the night of the murder.

"Smith then went out into the school room," continued Conklin, "and a few seconds later he heard two pistol shots and the crash of glass. I went into the school room and saw Smith lying on a desk. I saw a man climbing out in getting over the railing, and before he got up the men had caught him. One of the men, Max Schmitt, took a revolver from the man."

Cross-examination by Mr. O'Hare failed to shake Conklin's story, but Mr. O'Hare's face wore a significant smile as he asked, "Was Meyer told what his rights were and that if he said anything it would be used against him?"

"Conklin did not know whether Meyer was told this or not."

"Did you club him?"

"No, sir."

"Did anybody?"

"Some citizens did," replied Conklin, with a stick and cane.

Policeman Ryan testified that nobody

had clubbed Meyer in the police station. Captain Herdly will be called as a witness on this point to-day.

Meyer, in the event of his being acquitted of the murder of Policeman Smith, will be tried in Kings County for the murder of George Stielz, the bellringer of the Most Holy Trinity Church, in Williamsburg. Among the witnesses before the Grand Jury in Brooklyn yesterday were Mrs. Annie Landers, who is alleged to have paid the watch that had belonged to the murdered section. Meyer gave her the watch to dispose of.

Other witnesses called were Charles Morkle and his wife, who knew Meyer in New York.

A Cozy, Winter Home

Is thought of when the chilly westerly breezes blow. If you do not like your present flat read the many offers of landlords on this morning's "Want" Page.

RUBBER WIRE TRUST NOW

Concerns Engaged in the Manufacture of Insulated Wire Planning a Big Combine.

Efforts are being made to effect a combination of all the companies engaged in the manufacture of rubber covered or insulated wire used for electrical purposes. The principal companies which have already consented to join this new trust are the Okonite Company, Limited, the Safety Insulation Wire and Cable Co., The American Electrical Works, the New York Insulated Wire Co., the Harvesting factory at Yonkers, the Kerite factory at Seymour, Conn., and the wire manufacturing department of the General Electric Company.

The combine is endeavoring to bring all of the concerns manufacturing insulated wire into the fold. There are about sixteen different factories in the country. The present time of competition exists at the present time, and prices are so low that there is little profit for any of them. It is further stated that the cutting in prices has led to the manufacture of inferior goods, thus endangering life and property.

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THIRD AVENUE'S EARNINGS.

Net Profits of the East Side Cable Road for a Year, \$1,108,332.20.

The following were elected directors of the Third Avenue Railroad Company at the meeting yesterday: Henry Hart, Robert W. Teller, John E. Parsons, Edward Lauterbach, Albert J. Elias, William H. Webb, Emanuel Lehman, Charles Remsen, Henry Ide, David C. Andrews, G. Howard Lovitt, John H. Wardell, John Beaver. The last three are new members of the board, elected to fill the vacancies caused by death within the past year of Sylvester S. Riker, Abel Ayers and Samuel Townsend.

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NO "POOLS" FOR THEM.

Burroughs & Brosnan Indignant That Their Firm Got Mixed Up with Harvey Montrose Lewis.

The fact that the firm of Burroughs & Brosnan, real estate and insurance agents, occupied offices jointly with Harvey Montrose Lewis, who is credited with complicity in the Chicago "discretionary pool" swindles, caused the regrettable imputation to appear in the Journal last Sunday, that Burroughs & Brosnan were associated with Lewis in his operations here. The fact is that T. J. Brosnan and W. E. Burroughs, who constitute the firm of Burroughs & Brosnan, are reputable business men, and connected in no way with Lewis or his schemes.

Mr. Burroughs is, in addition, the representative of the Barrett Manufacturing Company, of Allegheny, Pa., with which he has been connected for years. The firm specializes in the manufacture of rubber covered or insulated wire used for electrical purposes.

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